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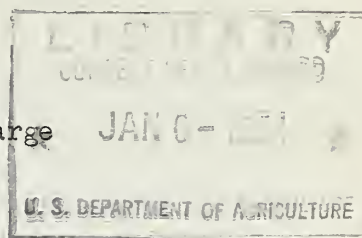
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ABSTRACT OF FUR LAWS, 1952-53

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Although the present situation of the fur industry is somewhat better than it was a year ago at this period, it is far from being normal. Last season (1951-52) was indeed a very poor one as far as trappers and raw fur dealers were concerned. The outlook for this season is not very promising. There are still large quantities of long-haired furs in the raw fur storage plants.

The information on the State fur laws compiled and published in this leaflet is for the benefit of farmers, tenants, and farm boys, who trap the largest numbers of fur animals, and of professional trappers, fur tradesmen, conservationists, and others who are interested in fur animals as an important wildlife crop.

Regulations governing the trapping of fur animals are made by the individual States, not by the Federal Government.

The tabulations in this leaflet of the open seasons for 1952-53 on fur animals and the summaries of the provisions of State and Provincial laws concerning possession, sale, shipment, export, and licenses have been prepared primarily to aid Federal officials in conducting investigations under the Lacey Act and enforcing its provisions and to answer inquiries of State game officials, trappers, and other interested persons. Every effort has been made to have the summaries correct, but the trapping seasons in many States and Provinces being subject to change by orders or regulations of the respective conservation authorities, it would be well for trappers and others concerned to apply direct to the proper agency for the latest information on State and Provincial laws, orders, and regulations before engaging in trapping or other activities involving fur animals or parts thereof.

The addresses of officials from whom information may be secured are found on pages 40 and 41 of this leaflet.

The Federal Lacey Act is found on page 42 of this leaflet.

ALABAMA

Open Season

*Beaver (See exceptions listed below.).....	Dec. 1-Feb. 20
Civet Cat, skunk, fox, mink, weasel, opossum, otter, and raccoon.....	Dec. 1-Feb. 20
Muskrat (Statewide).....	Dec. 1-Feb. 20

*In all counties except Autauga, Barbour, Baldwin, Chilton, Clarke, Coffee, Covington, Elmore, Etowah, Fayette, Geneva, Houston, Jefferson, Lee, Loundes, Macon, Russell, Tallapoosa, and Tuscaloosa.

Possession and sale - Possession of furs, skins, or pelts by trapper, fur buyer, or dealer longer than 20 days after the close of the season is illegal unless permission to keep furs longer has been granted by the Department of Conservation before the expiration of the 20-day period. No restrictions on sale of skins legally taken and on which State tax has been paid.

Shipment and export - No restrictions on skins legally taken and on which State tax has been paid.

Licenses - Resident, \$2.50. A nonresident is not permitted to trap. Fur buyer or trader must obtain a license based on gross sales of the preceding year, the minimum cost of license being \$25.00.

State fur tax tags must be attached as follows: opossum, 1¢; civet cat, 2¢; gray fox, 3¢; red fox, 4¢; weasel, 5¢; raccoon, 6¢; skunk, 7¢; muskrat, 8¢; mink, 20¢; otter, 90¢; beaver, \$1.00.

ALASKA

Open Season

Beaver:

Fur District 1.....	Apr. 15-May 15
Fur District 2 (see exception)	Feb. 1-Mar. 31
<u>Exception</u> - Except in the drainage into Prince William Sound and within a strip one-half mile wide on each side of the Copper River Road from Eyak bridge to Mile 15.....	
Fur District 3.....	No open season
Fur District 4.....	Feb. 1-Mar. 31
Fur District 5 (see exception).....	Feb. 1-Mar. 31
<u>Exception</u> - Except in the Kobuk River drainage only.....	
Fur District 6 (see exception).....	No open season
<u>Exception</u> - Except in the Clearwater and Tok River areas as described in § 46.215 and § 46.216 (of the 1951-1952 Alaska Game Regulations) or in the Chena River and its tributary sloughs from its confluence with the Little Chena to the Tanana River	
Fur District 7	Feb. 1-Mar. 31

Alaska (continued)

Open Season

Bear, polar:

Fur Districts 5 and 8.....	No closed season
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Marten:

Fur District 1 (except on Chichagof Island).....	Dec. 20-Jan. 24
Fur District 2 (except on the Kenai Peninsula and in the drainage into Prince William Sound), 3, 4, 5 (except in the Kobuk and Selawik River drainages), 6, and 7.....	Nov. 16-Jan. 31

Muskrat:

Fur District 1.....	No open season
Fur District 2 (except in the drainage into Prince William Sound), 3, 4, 6, and 7.....	Nov. 16-May 31
Fur District 5 - North of the Unalakleet River.....	Nov. 16-June 7
South of the Unalakleet River.....	Nov. 16-May 31
Fur District 8.....	Nov. 16-June 7

Mink, land otter, fox lynx and weasel:

Fur District 1.....	Dec. 20-Jan. 24
Fur District 2 - 8 (see exception).....	Nov. 16-Jan. 31
<u>Exception</u> - except in the drainage to Prince William Sound.	
White Fox.....	Dec. 1-Mar. 15

Wolf, coyote, wolverine, marmot, squirrel:

Fur Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8.....	No closed season
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Bag Limits: Beaver 10 a season, polar bear 2 a season, and others, no limit.

Trapping methods: May be taken by any means, except by means, aid or use of a set gun, a shotgun, artificial light of any kind, a steel bear trap or other trap with jaws having a spread exceeding 9 inches, poison, a dog (except wolves and coyotes in fur districts 5, 6, 7 and 8), a fish trap or net, or by setting any trap or snare within 25 feet of a beaver home or den or within 100 feet of a fox den, or by use of smoke or chemicals, or by destroying or disturbing homes, dens, dams, or runways of such animals;

Provided: that mink and otter may be taken only by means of a steel trap or snare and that beaver may be taken only by means of a steel trap or snare and by persons over the age of eleven years; and Provided further, that snares larger than No. 1 are prohibited on the Kenai Peninsula, except in the taking of beaver, and that wolves and coyotes may be killed at any time by means of a rifle, shotgun, or pistol, by any person permitted to carry firearms; and Provided further, that no aircraft shall be used in aid of taking fur-bearing animals other than polar bear, except as a means of transportation from a settlement or point of outfitting to a single base camp, and except in the taking of wolves and coyotes by authorized predator control agents or under authority of a permit; and Provided further, that no helicopter shall be used for the purpose of taking fur animals, including polar bear, or for transporting any such animals.

Possession and sale. No restrictions on prime skins legally taken, except that beaver skins must be presented to an enforcement agent or other officer authorized by the Alaska Game Commission for sealing within 30 days after close of the season.

Alaska (continued)

Shipment and export. No restrictions of skins legally taken, but no person who is engaged in fur farming or is a fur dealer shall possess or transport furs without a license. Packages containing furs must be marked to show contents in detail and the names and addresses of consignors and consignees, and shipper must deliver to freight or express agent or postmaster at shipping point, a statement showing contents of package and that no illegal or unsealed beaver skins are contained therein. Shipment of unsealed beaver skins is prohibited.

Licenses: Resident, trapping \$3.00. Three years' residence required to qualify for a resident trapping license. Trapping license is not required of native Indians or Eskimos, nor of resident under 16 years of age. Nonresident: general hunting, trapping, and game fishing, \$50.00. Fur farm, \$2.00. Alien: special hunting, trapping, and fishing, \$100.00. Fur Dealer: (a) resident \$10.00; or association or co-partnership of residents organized under laws of the Territory, \$10.00 for each individual; (b) nonresident but citizen or national of the United States, or corporation, association, or co-partnership composed of citizens or nationals of the United States, organized under the laws of the Territory or of a State of the United States, any member of which is a nonresident, \$100.00; (c) alien, or corporation, association, or co-partnership, not organized under laws of the Territory or of a State of the United States, any stockholder or member of which is an alien, \$500.00; (d) resident and agent in charge of a fur dealer station under (a), (b), or (c), \$10.00; (e) nonresident but a citizen or national of the United States and agent in charge of a fur dealer station under (a), (b), or (c), or a nonresident citizen or national itinerant agent of such dealer, \$100.00; (f) alien and agent in charge of a fur dealer station under (a), (b), or (c), or an alien itinerant agent of such dealer, \$500.00. No license issued to any agent whose principal has not procured a license under (a), (b), or (c).

ARIZONA

Badger, coati-mundi, raccoon, and ring-tailed cat.....
(No bag limit. Trappers must have trappers license.)
Beaver.....
Muskrat (see exception)(Trappers license required).....

Open Season
No closed season

No open season
Jan. 1-Mar. 31

Exception - There shall be no open season for the taking of muskrat within the arbitrary high-water level of the Colorado River or its connecting sloughs.

ARKANSAS

Beaver, bear, otter, elk, buffalo.....
Other fur animals, including fox.....

No open season
Nov. 20-Jan. 20

Possession and sale. Open season, November 20 to January 20, inclusive. Allowed to January 30 to dispose of pelts. Dealers may get permit to hold longer. Each dealer required to furnish Game and Fish Commission itemized list on or before the tenth day after the close of each season, giving number and kind and from whom all furs are purchased during season.

Arkansas (continued)

Shipment and export. Shipments must be plainly marked with name, address, and license number of shipper, date of shipment, also the words "Fur Pelts."

Licenses: Resident using 12 or less traps, \$1.50; using more than 12 traps, \$20. Nonresident, \$50. Fur dealer: resident, \$5; nonresident, \$50.

CALIFORNIA

	<u>Open Season</u>
Coyote, opossum, raccoon, ringtail, skunk, wolf, wildcat, weasel, badger.....	No closed season
Sea otter.....	No open season
Other fur animals.....	Nov. 16-Day before last day of Feb.

Note - Trapping license (license year, July 1-June 30) is required for trapping pine martens, minks, river otters, foxes, and muskrat for profit and these species cannot be killed during the closed season except when destroying property. Method of take: trap, firearm, or dogs. Spike or sawtooth traps cannot be used.

Possession and sale. Trapping license required if over 18 years of age.

Shipment and export. No restrictions on skins legally taken outside the boundaries of the agricultural districts described in Chapters 653 and 654, Statutes of 1951 (Secs. 1252 and 1311, Fish and Game Code).

Licenses: Citizen, \$1; alien, \$2. Licensee must submit, before July 1, a report of his catch, giving names and addresses of persons to whom pelts were sold or shipped.

Beaver, whenever and wherever found within the boundaries of the agricultural districts described in Chapter 654, Statutes of 1951 (Sec. 1252, Fish & Game Code) and in Fish and Game District No. 22, may be taken at any time in any manner by anyone who has first secured a license as provided in the Fish and Game Code. The hides of such beaver must be inspected and tagged with the official tag of the Department of Fish and Game by a representative of the Fish and Game Commission before removal from the above described areas.

Muskrat, whenever and wherever found within the boundaries of the agricultural districts described in Chapter 653, Statutes of 1951 (Sec. 1311, Fish & Game Code) and in Fish and Game District No. 22, may be taken at any time in any manner by anyone who has first secured a license as provided in the Fish and Game Code. The hides of such muskrat may be possessed at any time but may be sold only during the regular trapping season and for a period of fifteen (15) days next following.

COLORADO

	<u>Open Season'</u>
Beaver, fisher, opossum and otter.....	No open season
Muskrat:	
Above 8,000 feet elevation, Oct. 15 to Nov. 15, 1952*	
Below 8,000 feet elevation, Nov. 15 to Dec. 15, 1952*	

Statewide March 15, 1953 to April 15, 1953, below 8,000 feet elevation.
 Statewide April 15, 1953 to May 15, 1953, above 8,000 feet elevation.

* Part of state excepted on these seasons.

Raccoon.....	Sept. 15-Mar.31
Ringtail cat.....	Nov. 1-Dec. 31
Weasel (see exception).....	Nov. 1-Dec. 31

Exception - There shall be no open season on weasel
 in the White River and Cameron Pass Game Refuge.

Possession and sale. Skins legally taken may be processed during the open season and for 15 days thereafter. A permit is required for possession of skins by trapper and dealer 30 days after close of season. These permits expire on September 1 of the year of issue but may be renewed upon application on or before that date. The permit must accompany pelts sold by trappers or dealer whether sold within or out of the State. If the trapper or dealer disposes of only part of the pelts covered by the permit, the original permit must accompany the pelts disposed of and an application made for a new permit to cover the remainder.

Shipment and export. (See Possession and sale.) Shipping tags provided by the State Game and Fish Commission must be attached to each bundle shipped, and each bundle must show name, post office address, and license number of shipper. Licensed trappers, dealers, and all persons must obtain a shipping permit from the Commission for each shipment of furs out of the State. The permit must be attached to each bundle shipped and must show the number and kind of each pelt in the shipment, names of shipper and consignee, and license number of consignor. Licensed dealers must furnish the Commission on or before June 30 next or at any time required to do so, a written report showing number and kinds of skins purchased from trappers and the amount paid. Fur purchased from other dealers shall not be included in this report.

Licenses: Resident, \$3; nonresident, \$25. Fur dealer: resident, \$25; nonresident, \$50. The Commission may require licensees to submit such reports as it may deem necessary. Special resident trappers permits are issued without charge to children under fourteen years of age of a resident landowner or farm tenant when application is made to the nearest game warden or fur inspector in writing.

CONNECTICUT

	<u>Open Season</u>
Fox, opossum, weasel.....	No closed season
Mink, otter, skunk.....	Nov. 1-Mar. 15
Muskrat (see note).....	Nov. 1-Mar. 15

Note - Shall not be taken by shooting.

Raccoon.....	Oct. 18-Dec. 31
Squirrel, gray (see note).....	Oct. 18-Nov. 29

Note - Henceforth the season will open on raccoons and squirrels on the third Saturday in October and will close on squirrels on the last Saturday in November. Hunting of squirrels within the limits of the city or borough is prohibited.

Bag limits: Gray squirrels, 5 daily, 30 season; raccoon, 30 season; skunk, mink, otter, and muskrat, no bag limit.

Licenses: Resident hunting, \$4.35; resident trapping and hunting, \$6.35; resident trapping only, \$3.35. Resident trapping for boys under sixteen years, \$1.35. Nonresident hunting, \$11.35; nonresident property owners, \$4.35.

DELAWARE

Beaver.....	No open season
Mink, muskrat (see exception), otter.....	Dec. 1-Mar. 10

Exception - On embanked meadows in New Castle County muskrats may be taken until March 20.

Opossum, raccoon (exception).....	Nov. 1-Jan. 31
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Exception - It shall be lawful for any person or persons to trap or otherwise take raccoon from any lands in New Castle County or Kent County from the Southerly boundary limits of the City of Wilmington, and East and Southeast of the center line of U.S. Route 13, thence following said center line of the U.S. Route 13, to the point where U.S. Route 13 forms a junction with U.S. 113, and thence along the center line of U. S. Route 113 to a line dividing Kent County and Sussex County, during any time of the year, excepting on Sunday.

Possession, sale, shipment, and export. No restrictions on skins legally taken, except that it is illegal to sell or export red foxes or red fox hides.

Licenses: Resident hunting and trapping, \$2.25; nonresident hunting and trapping, \$15.50. Aliens cannot hunt or trap except on a farm of 20 acres or more on which they reside. Fur dealer, \$5, required for purchasing all pelts except muskrat.

FLORIDA

	<u>Open Season</u>
Bobcat, civet cat, fox, opossum, skunk, raccoon, weasel, wildcat.....	No closed season
Mink, otter.....	Dec. 1-Mar. 1

Possession and sale. Skins legally taken may be possessed, bought, and sold during the open season and 30 days thereafter, but fur dealers may handle manufactured furs at any time.

Shipment and export. Skins legally taken may be shipped and exported during the open season and 30 days thereafter. Packages must show name and address of trapper.

Licenses: Resident (State wide) \$25.50; county, \$3.25; county other than that of residence, \$10.50. License is not required of resident Confederate veterans or of other residents 65 years of age or over. Nonresident (State wide) \$100.50; county, \$25.50. Applicants for licenses must report previous year's catch. Fur dealer: resident, \$100, and \$5 for each agent or traveling buyer; resident local dealer, \$10; nonresident, \$500, or \$100 for each agent or traveling buyer or acting as agent for nonresident buyer. Dealers and buyers must report every two weeks the names of trappers from whom pelts were purchased, their license numbers, and the number and kinds of pelts purchased.

GEORGIA

Beaver, otter (see exception).....	No open season
<u>Exception</u> - All counties south of Carroll, Fulton, DeKalb, Walton, Oconee, Oglethorpe, Wilkes, and Lincoln open to trapping beaver and otter from January 1 through January 31.	
Fox, opossum, mink, muskrat, raccoon, skunk, wildcat.....	Nov. 20-Feb. 15

Shipment and export. No restrictions on skins legally taken except that the trapper must exhibit his license to the transportation agent when making shipments. Express companies must submit a report of fur shipments. Trappers and dealers must declare pelts in possession at the end of the season, and these pelts can be shipped at any time.

Licenses: Combination hunting and fishing license, \$1.25; nonresident hunting licenses, reciprocal. State resident trappers license, \$3.00; nonresident trappers license, \$25.00. State nonresident fur dealers license, \$200.00; State resident fur dealers license, \$10.00.

IDAHO

	Open Season
Beaver, fisher.....	No open season
Fox, muskrat, otter, raccoon, mink, marten -	
District 1.....	Nov. 1-Jan. 15
District 2 (see exception).....	Nov. 1-Jan. 15
Exception - Raccoon and otter.....	Nov. 1-Mar. 31
District 3 -	
Fox, marten, mink and otter.....	Nov. 1-Dec. 31
Muskrat:	
In Adams, Boise, and Valley counties, and	
Boise River drainage in Elmore county.....	Nov. 1-Dec. 31
Raccoon.....	Jan. 1-Dec. 31
District 4 -	
Fox, marten, otter and mink.....	Nov. 1-Dec. 31
Muskrat:	
In Blaine county.....	Nov. 1-Dec. 31
In Butte, Custer, Lemhi, Camas, except the South Fork	
of the Boise River and its tributaries, Cassia,	
Minidoka, Jerome, Twin Falls, Gooding, and Lincoln	
counties.....	Nov. 1-Apr. 21
Raccoon.....	Jan. 1-Dec. 31
Note - Hagerman Refuge is closed to all trapping.	
District 5 -	
Fox and mink:	
Teton county.....	Nov. 1-Nov. 15
Balance of district.....	Nov. 1-Dec. 15
Otter.....	No open season
Marten:	
In Clark, Fremont, Teton, and Bonneville	
counties.....	Nov. 1-Dec. 15
Muskrat:	
In Clark, Jefferson, Bingham, and Madison	
counties.....	Nov. 1-Apr. 20
In Teton county.....	Nov. 1-Nov. 15
In Fremont county.....	Nov. 1-Nov. 20
In Bear Lake county.....	Apr. 1-Apr. 20
In Caribou county, except Grays Lake and its	
drainages.....	Nov. 1-Nov. 30
	and
	Apr. 1-Apr. 20
In Bonneville county, except Grays Lake and	
its drainages and outlet down to Idaho Falls	
Highway Bridge.....	Nov. 1-Apr. 20
In Grays Lake and its drainages and outlet	
down to Idaho Falls Highway Bridge in Bonne-	
ville and Caribou counties.....	Apr. 20-May 10
In Bannock and Oneida counties.....	Nov. 1-Dec. 15
	and
	Mar. 15-Mar. 31
In Franklin and Power counties.....	Mar. 15-Apr. 15

Idaho (continued)

- District 1 - Includes Boundary, Bonner, Kootenai, Shoshone and Benewah counties.
District 2 - Includes Latah, Clearwater, Nez Perce, Lewis and Idaho counties.
District 3 - Includes Ada, Adams, Boise, Canyon, Elmore, Gem, Owyhee, Payette, Valley, and Washington counties.
District 4 - Includes Camas, Gooding, Twin Falls, Cassia, Jerome, Blaine, Lincoln, Butte, Minidoka, Lemhi and Custer counties.
District 5 - Includes Clark, Fremont, Jefferson, Madison, Teton, Bonneville, Bingham, Power, Bannock, Caribou, Bear Lake, Oneida, and Franklin counties.

Possession and sale. It shall be unlawful for any person to sell, exchange, ship, transfer, market, purchase, receive from another, or in any way deal with marten, mink, fisher, or otter pelts unless the same be officially tagged by an authorized officer of the Idaho Fish and Game Department. Tagging of all marten, mink, fisher, and otter will be done by conservation officers without cost to the trapper with official fur tags of the Idaho Fish and Game Department.

It shall be unlawful for any person to have in his possession any marten, mink, fisher, or otter pelts after fourteen days from the close of the respective trapping season for said marten, mink, fisher, or otter, as set by the Fish and Game Commission, unless the same are tagged with the official fur tags of the Idaho Fish and Game Department.

Licenses: Resident, \$5; nonresident, \$75; alien, \$150; fur-buyer-resident, \$5; nonresident, \$20.

ILLINOIS

	<u>Open season</u>
Badger, otter.....	No open season
Mink, muskrat, opossum, raccoon, fox (red and gray), skunk:	
Northern zone (see exception and note).....	Nov. 15-Jan. 15
Southern zone (see exception and note).....	Nov. 15-Jan. 15
Central zone (see exception and note).....	Nov. 15-Jan. 15
Beaver - Dec. 1 to Dec. 15 - Limit of 10 per season - (Special License fee of \$5. All beaver pelts must be tagged by a representative of the Department of Conservation before they may be legally sold.)	

Exception - Red and gray fox..... No closed season

Note - Northern zone comprises Henderson, Iroquois, Livingston, Knox, Peoria, Warren, and Woodford counties, and all counties north thereof.

Southern zone comprises Bond, Crawford, Effingham, Fayette, Jasper, and Madison counties, and all counties south thereof.

Central zone comprises the rest of the State.

Bag limit - It is unlawful for any one person to take more than 15 raccoons during one open season.

Illinois (continued)

Possession and sale. Possession of green hides is permitted during the open season and 10 days thereafter. Every person taking fur animals must make a sworn report each month to the Department of Conservation of all hides of fur animals taken, sold, shipped, or dealt in during November through February not later than the 5th day of the month succeeding that for which report is made. Fur buyers and tanners of green hides of fur animals are required to keep a record showing name, address, and license number of each person, within or without the State, from whom such hides are received, date of receipt, and prices paid, which record shall be open to inspection by officers of the Conservation Department, sheriffs, constables, or other police officers.

Shipment and export. No restrictions on skins legally taken. (Beaver pelts to be tagged by Department officer.)

Licenses: Resident, \$2; fur buyer, resident, wholesaler, \$50; retailer, \$10; traveling, \$10. Fur buyer, nonresident, \$100; expiration date March 1 of each year.

INDIANA

	<u>Open Season</u>
Fox.....	No closed season
Mink, muskrat, opossum, skunk, raccoon, beaver.....	Nov. 15-Jan. 15

Bag Limit - Daily bag limit on raccoon, 2.

Possession and Sale. Fresh skins legally taken may be possessed and disposed of 5 days after close of season. Licensed fur buyers may possess untanned hides taken in the open season 60 days after close of season, and for a longer period if report showing number and kinds of skins and place of storage is made to the Director of the Division of Fish and Game. No other restrictions on skins legally taken, except on beaver as shown below.

Shipment and export. No restrictions on skins legally taken, except that shipment must be labeled to show contents, and license must be exhibited to carrier.

Licenses: Resident, \$2.00; nonresident, \$15.50. Fur buyer, resident, \$10.00; nonresident, \$25.00. Nonresident jobber to purchase from licensed buyers, \$10.00.

Beaver tag. A \$5.00 tag or seal is required on each beaver or untanned hide. Unlawful to sell or purchase without tag.

IOWA

	<u>Open Season</u>
Badger, civet cat, opossum, raccoon, skunk.....	Nov. 10-Jan. 9
Mink, muskrat (see exception), beaver.....	Nov. 10-Dec. 9
<u>Exception</u> - Big Wall Lake in Wright County, mink and muskrat may be taken from Nov. 10-Nov. 19.	
Coyote, fox, and weasel.....	No closed season
Otter.....	No open season

Possession and sale. Skins legally taken may be possessed and sold during the open season and 10 days thereafter, or for a longer period under permit of the Conservation Commission. Licensed dealer may possess at any time hides legally acquired. Special permit is required for trappers to ship, transport, or sell to dealers outside the State. Green hides in process of manufacture may be possessed at any time. Dealers or buyers must, within 15 days after close of season, file with the Conservation Commission a sworn inventory of the number and kinds of skins purchased.

Shipment and export. See possession and sale. Skins of protected fur animals legally taken may be exported under permit during the open season and the first 10 days of the closed season.

Licenses: Resident, using 15 traps or less, \$1; using more than 15, 15¢ per trap, including tag. Nonresident shall be charged the same fee that the State of the applicant's residence charges a resident of Iowa for a nonresident license, providing such fee shall not be less than \$10; providing further no such license shall be issued to a resident of any State which does not grant nonresident trapping licenses. Fur dealers must be licensed; resident, \$10; nonresident license shall be determined similar to nonresident trapping license providing such shall not be less than \$50.

KANSAS

Badger, civet cat, mink, muskrat, opossum, raccoon, skunk.....	Dec. 1-Jan. 31
Beaver (see note), otter.....	No open season
<u>Note</u> - The State game warden is authorized after investigation, to have taken under his supervision as many beavers as he deems necessary for protection of property.	
Fox.....	No closed season

Possession and sale. Skins legally taken may be possessed by licensed fur dealer during the first 10 days of the closed season. No other restrictions on possession and sale of skins legally taken.

Shipment and export. Skins may not be shipped except during the open season and 10 days thereafter, but licensed dealers may make shipments out of season under permit.

Licenses: Resident, \$1; nonresident not permitted to trap. Fur dealer, resident, \$10; nonresident, \$25.

KENTUCKY

Opossum, raccoon, mink, skunk, muskrat, and red fox.....	<u>Open Season</u> (All dates incl.) Nov. 20-Jan. 18
Opossum and raccoon may be taken with dogs only.....	Oct. 21-Nov. 19

There is no bag limit on opossum, mink, raccoon, skunk, muskrat or red fox.

No person shall use a steel trap with a jaw spread of more than 5-3/4 in., or the jaws of which have a sharp or jagged edge, or that have more than one spring for the purpose of closing the jaws or that has a spring which would normally be expected under ordinary circumstances to exert a pressure sufficient to instantly cut through or break the leg of any wild animal protected by this chapter.

LOUISIANA

Mink.....	Nov. 15-Jan. 10
Nutria.....	Dec. 15-Feb. 15
Muskrat and all other non-game quadrupeds.....	Nov. 15-Feb. 15
Fox (see note).....	No closed season

Note - Fox pelts may be sold during the winter season only.

Fur Tax: Muskrat, opossum, skunk, civet cat, ring-tailed cat, wildcat, fox, wolf, and raccoon: 1¢ on each skin; mink, 10¢ on each skin; nutria (coyapu), 5¢ on each skin; otter, 25¢ on each skin.

Licenses: Resident trapper, \$2; nonresident not permitted to trap.
Fur dealer: resident, \$150; nonresident, \$300. Fur buyer: resident, \$25; nonresident, \$100.

MAINE

Beaver, fisher.....	No open season
Bobcat, Canada lynx.....	No closed season
Fox, raccoon, skunk, weasel.....	Nov. 1-Feb. 15
Mink.....	Nov. 1-Nov. 30
Muskrat: Cumberland, York, and Washington counties...	Mar. 20-Apr. 20
All other counties.....	Nov. 1-Nov. 30
Otter.....	November - and Jan. 1-Feb. 7

Possession, sale, shipment, and export. No restrictions on skins legally taken, except that beaver skins must bear the seal of the Commissioner.

Licenses: Resident, State-wide, \$10; in organized territory, \$5; non-resident and alien, \$200. State-wide license required when season is opened on beavers, \$10. Fur dealer, resident \$25. Licensed trappers are required to make report of their catch before they are issued a new license.

MARYLAND

	<u>Open Season</u>
Beaver.....	No open season
Mink, otter.....	Jan. 1-Mar. 15
Muskrat: Allegany, Carroll, Frederick, Garrett, Howard, Montgomery, Washington counties...	Dec. 15-Mar. 1
All other counties.....	Jan. 1-Mar. 15
Raccoon, opossum.....	Nov. 1-Jan. 31

Possession, sale, shipment, and export. Possession of green hides of muskrats is prohibited except from January 1 to March 25. Cured muskrat skins may be possessed at any time for business purposes. Out of State shipments require tags by anyone other than a licensed fur dealer; number of license of fur dealer must appear on all shipments outside of State. Shipping tags available from field personnel.

Licenses: Trapping is permitted on regular hunting license. Resident: State, \$5.25; county, \$1.25. Nonresident, \$20. Fur dealers: resident, \$2; nonresident, \$25.

MASSACHUSETTS

Beaver.....	No open season
Mink, muskrat, otter, raccoon, opossum.....	Nov. 1-Dec. 31
Fox, skunk, weasel, wildcat.....	Nov. 1-Mar. 1

Note - All traps must be registered with the Division of Fisheries and Game annually, marked with the user's name, permanently stamped with the registration number, visited between 4 a.m. and 8 p.m. each day, and designed to kill mammal at once or to take alive unhurt unless city or town has voted suspension of Anti-Steel Trap provisions.

It shall be unlawful for any person -

- To trap before 6 a.m. on November 1.
- To trap between March 2 and November 1, 6 a.m. E.S.T. inclusive.
- To use poison in any form or have in possession skins of poisoned mammals.
- To destroy or spring trap of another.
- To possess an unregistered trap on land of another.
- To trap on the enclosed, improved, or posted land of another without written permission.
- To use scent or scented bait; to use snares.
- To trap within ten feet of a muskrat house, beaver house or dam.
- To trap in public way, cart road or path.
- To trap mammals from trap of another.
- To use trap capable of taking more than 1 mammal.

MICHIGAN

	<u>Open Season</u>
Badger, skunk.....	Nov. 1-Jan. 31
Beaver, otter (open seasons, if any, to be announced by the Conservation Commission later).	
Coyote, wolf, lynx, bobcat, fox, opossum, weasel.....	No closed season
Fisher, marten.....	No open season
Mink (see exception)* hunting:	
Zone 1.....	Nov. 1-Dec. 31
Zones 2 and 3.....	Nov. 1-Jan. 31
Muskrat, mink (see exception):	
Zone 1.....	Nov. 1-Nov. 30
Zone 2.(except no open season in part of Roscommon county).....	Nov. 15-Dec. 15
Zone 3.....	Dec. 1-Dec. 31
<u>Exception</u> - Special season on mink and muskrats, Dec. 1 to Jan. 31, in the following described area: Beginning at a point on the southern boundary of Michigan where it is intersected by highway U. S. 25; thence northward along highway U.S. 25 to its junction with M 56; thence along M 56 to its junction with highway No. 379; thence along highway No. 379 to its junction with Oak Street in the city of Wyandotte; thence east to the international boundary; thence southeast along the international boundary to its junction with the Ohio boundary line in Lake Erie; thence southwest along the Ohio boundary line to the place of beginning. All of Grosse Ile is included in this area.	

Raccoon (see note):

Zones 1 and 2.....	Oct. 1-Dec. 15
Zone 3.....	Oct. 20-Dec. 31
<u>Note</u> - Nonresident may not hunt or trap raccoons.	

Note - Zones 1, 2, and 3 now have been defined legally as follows:

- Zone 1 - Upper Peninsula;
- Zone 2 - North of M 20;
- Zone 3 - South of M 20.

Possession and sale. Skins of fur animals in possession 5 days after close of season must be reported to the Conservation Department. Persons selling skins of fur animals must report name and address of purchaser and number and kinds of skins sold.

Shipment and export. Dealers must have a permit to export furs. Packages must be labeled with the names and addresses of consignor and consignee.

Licenses: Resident (except for beavers and otters), \$2. Licensees must report to the Conservation Department not later than Feb. 15 the number and kinds of animals taken. Special beaver license (also includes otters if there is an open season on them), \$2, and \$1 additional for seal to be attached to each skin. Nonresidents are not permitted to trap.

MINNESOTA

	<u>Open Season</u>
Badger.....	Nov. 1-Mar. 1
Beaver, muskrat, otter (Consult Department of Conservation, State Office Building, St. Paul 1, Minnesota.)	
Fisher, marten.....	No open season
Mink.....	Nov. 8-Dec. 15
Raccoon.....	Nov. 1-Dec. 1
Skunk.....	No closed season
Other fur animals.....	No closed season

Possession and sale. Skins of protected fur-bearing animals legally taken during the open season must be sealed or permit in possession within 5 days after the close of the season. Such protected fur-bearing animals may be bought and sold at any time. Possession of protected fur-bearing animals in closed season not sealed or having a permit is presumptive evidence they have been taken during closed season.

Shipment and export. Protected fur-bearing animals sealed and having a permit may be transported at any time. When shipping furs taken under trapping license, the parcel must be plainly marked on the outside stating the name, address, and license number of shipper and kind and number of skins contained in the package. The waybill or receipt issued by any common carrier to a shipper shall specify the number and species of wild animals so shipped.

Licenses: Trapping license, issued only to residents, \$3. A small game hunting license is required in addition. Residents under 16 years of age not required to have a license to hunt and trap fur bearers except beaver and otter.

MISSISSIPPI

Beaver (may be taken by licensed trappers by permit from landowners and the State Game and Fish Commission)..	Dec. 1-Feb. 15
Mink (see note), muskrat (exception), skunk, weasel...	Dec. 1-Jan. 31
<u>Exception</u> - Muskrat may be taken in Hancock, Harrison, and Jackson counties.....	
Opossum, raccoon.....	Dec. 1-Feb. 15
Otter: Lauderdale, Kemper, Jones, Perry, Stone, George, Harrison, Jackson, Hancock, Clarke, Wayne, Greene, Pearl River, Lamar, Adams, Jefferson, Claiborne, Amite, and Wilkinson counties.....	Dec. 1-Jan. 31
All other counties.....	No open season

Note: 1. Alcorn County is closed to all trapping until opened by further order of the Commission.

2. Mink shall not be hunted or killed with dogs or guns.

Possession and sale. It shall be unlawful for any person to have in his possession the green pelt of any such animal except during the open season and ten days thereafter. It shall be unlawful for any person to buy, sell, or to offer for sale the pelt of any fur-bearing animal knowing that same has been unlawfully taken.

Licenses: Resident, \$5.25; non-resident, \$201.

MISSOURI

	<u>Open Season</u>
Opossum, raccoon, skunk, spotted skunk, weasel.....	Dec. 1-Jan. 15
<u>Note</u> - Opossum and raccoon, gun and dog only.....	Nov. 10-Jan. 15
Mink, muskrat (may not be taken by any method except trap).....	Dec. 1-Dec. 31
Fox, red and gray.....	Dec. 1-Jan. 15
<u>Note</u> - Fox, gun and dog only.....	Nov. 10-Mar. 31
Coyotes, bobcats.....	No closed season
Beaver, otter.....	No open season
<u>Note</u> - Beaver and otter may be taken by landowners, under special permit, where they are damaging property.	

License: Effective January 1, 1953, each trapper must possess a special trapper's license, costing \$3 annually. Only residents of Missouri may legally trap here. There are no daily or possession limits.

MONTANA

Mink and Fox.....	Nov. 10-Dec. 31
Muskrat (see special season).....	Mar. 1-Apr. 15
<u>Muskrat Special Season</u> - In addition to the regular open season the lands lying within the following irrigation districts shall be open to the trapping of muskrats from November 10, 1952 to December 31, 1952, inclusive: Flathead district in Lake and Sanders counties; Fairfield district in Cascade and Teton counties; Valier district in Pondera county; Milk River district in Blaine, Phillips and Valley counties; Lower Yellowstone district in Dawson and Richland counties.	
Otter, fisher, marten.....	No open season
Beaver by special permit only.	
Coyote, wolf, wolverine, mountain lion, lynx, weasel, skunk, badger, ferret, bobcat.....	No closed season

The shooting of muskrats is prohibited. It is unlawful for any person to wilfully destroy, open or leave open, or partially destroy the house of a muskrat or beaver.

All Federal Preserves and the following State Preserves are closed to trapping: Sun River, Gallatin, Skalkaho, Grass Valley, and Seeley Lake.
Exception - Permits to trap on Federal Preserve may be issued by Federal Refuge Manager.

Trapping Licenses: Issued by the State Fish and Game Warden, Helena. General Trapper's License, \$10. Applicants must give number of 1952 Bird and Fish License. Landowner's Trapping License, \$1.00. Applicants must give description of land owned or leased.

NEBRASKA

Open Season

Muskrat, mink, beaver:

Zone 1.....

Dec. 15-Mar. 15

Includes: Arthur, Banner, Blaine, Box Butte, Brown, Chase, Cherry, Cheyenne, Dawes, Deuel, Dundy, Garden, Garfield, Grant, Hooker, Keith, Kimball, Lincoln, Logan, Loup, McPherson, Morrill, Perkins, Scotts Bluff, Sheridan, Sioux and Thomas counties except for State-owned lakes or marshes or areas closed by Federal, State or Municipal law.

Zone 2.....

Nov. 15-Jan. 15

Includes: Adams, Antelope, Boone, Boyd, Buffalo, Burt, Butler, Cass, Cedar, Clay, Colfax, Cuming, Custer, Dakota, Dawson, Dixon, Dodge, Douglas, Fillmore, Franklin, Frontier, Furnas, Gage, Gosper, Greeley, Hall, Hamilton, Harlan, Hayes, Hitchcock, Holt, Howard, Jefferson, Johnson, Kearney, Keya Paha, Knox, Lancaster, Madison, Merrick, Nance, Nemaha, Nuckolls, Otoe, Pawnee, Phelps, Pierce, Platte, Polk, Red Willow, Richardson, Rock, Saline, Sarpy, Saunders, Seward, Sherman, Stanton, Thayer, Thurston, Valley, Washington, Wayne, Webster, Wheeler and York counties except for State-owned lakes or marshes or areas closed by Federal, State or Municipal law.

Badger, civet cat, fox, opossum, raccoon, skunk (see exception).....

Jan. 1-Dec. 31

Exception - State-owned lakes or marshes or areas closed by Federal, State or Municipal law.

Hunting raccoon with dogs is prohibited during period April 1 to August 1.

Coyote.....

No closed season

NEVADA

Beaver, otter (see exception).....

No open season

All other fur bearers.....

Nov. 1-Mar. 15

Exception - Beaver and otter closed except under State supervised trapping program.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Beaver (at discretion of Director and Commission).....

Jan. 1-Mar. 31

Fisher, marten.....

No open season

Mink, muskrat, otter, skunk:

Coos, Carroll and Grafton counties.....

Oct. 20-Feb. 1

All other counties.....

Nov. 1-Feb. 1

Weasel, wildcat, fox, lynx (bounty).....

No closed season

Bounty collected through conservation officer in locality where animal is killed.

Licenses: Trapping licenses sold only through the office of the Director of Fish and Game at Concord.

NEW JERSEY

Beaver (see note).....	<u>Open Season</u> Feb. 1-Feb. 28
<u>Note</u> - Beaver may only be taken by special trapping permit obtained from the Fish and Game Council. Fee \$5.00. 100 permits will be issued by the Council allowing the taking of 3 beaver per permit during the interval of Feb. 1 to Feb. 28.	
Mink, muskrat, otter (may only be trapped; see note)..6 p.m.,	Nov. 30-Mar. 15
<u>Note</u> - The season for trapping mink, muskrat, and otter on State-owned Public Shooting and Fishing Grounds is Jan. 1 to March 15. No cage trap, metal box trap or diving trap shall be permitted on any of the State-owned Grounds and no trap of any kind shall be set anywhere on any of such Grounds unless it bears a metal tag inscribed with the name and address of the owner of the trap. No trap of any kind shall be permitted to remain set on any property at the close of the trapping season.	
Raccoon (cannot be trapped; see exception).....	Oct. 15-Jan. 15
Between sunset and sunrise only. Cannot hunt raccoon during firearm deer season. No daily limit, but 25 during season.	
<u>Exception</u> - Any farmer may obtain permission to trap raccoon doing damage on his own land or leased land at any time of the year for himself, members of his family, or employees upon recommendation for that permit being made by the County Agent to the Division of Fish and Game.	

Licenses: Resident, \$3.15; nonresident and alien, \$15.50.

NEW MEXICO

Weasel, civet cat, ferret, ringtail cat, raccoon, coati-mundi, badger, and fox.....	Oct. 1-Mar. 31
Marten.....	No open season
Muskrat.....	Noon, Jan. 15-Feb. 28

Fur bearers may be taken only by persons holding a trapper's license; however, they may be taken with dogs or by shooting as well as by trapping during open season. No trapper's license required for children under 14 years of age.

There is no closed season on mountain lion, bobcat, skunk, prairie dog, or rabbits. No license required for residents to take these species. Non-resident's license is \$10.

NEW YORK

	<u>Open Season</u>
Beaver, fisher, otter - No open season except by Department order.	
Fox, weasel.....	No closed season
Mink:	
Northern zone.....	Oct. 25-Jan. 31
Southern zone (see note).....	Nov. 5-Mar. 15
<u>Note</u> - Open season for mink in Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Steuben, and Yates counties, Nov. 5 to Jan. 31.	
Muskrat: (see note)	
Northern zone.....	Mar. 1-Apr. 20
Southern zone.....	Feb. 1-Mar. 20
<u>Note</u> - Until July 1, 1953 Department may fix open season by order. Open season in Monroe County, Feb. 21 to March 20. No open season in Warren, Franklin, Renesselaer, Essex, Wyoming, and Chautauqua counties; parts of Jefferson and Washington counties restricted.	
Raccoon: (see note)	
Northern zone.....	Oct. 25-Jan. 31
Southern zone.....	Oct. 29-Jan. 24
<u>Note</u> - Until July 1, 1954 Department may fix open season by order.	
Sable or Marten.....	No open season
Skunk - Until July 1, 1954 Department may fix open season by order.	

Possession and sale. The head, skin or hide and feet of quadrupeds legally taken and possessed, may be bought and sold at any time. Prohibited: (1) To buy or sell the carcass of a fur-bearer unless the skin or hide is removed therefrom; (2) To buy or sell the skin or hide of any fur-bearing animal while attached to the carcass.

Licenses: Resident, \$2.25. Nonresident and alien, hunting \$10.75; trapping, \$25. Licensees are required to report the number and species of animals taken during the previous season.

Northern Zone: North of Oswego River from Lake Ontario to its junction with the Oneida River, Oneida River to Oneida Lake, north shore of Oneida Lake to Barge Canal, Barge Canal to Rome, main line tracks of New York Central Railroad Company from Rome to Albany, and north of main line tracks of the Boston and Albany Railroad Company from Albany to the Massachusetts boundary.

Southern Zone: Elsewhere in the State.

NORTH CAROLINA

Beaver.....	<u>Open Season</u>
Mink, muskrat, opossum, otter, raccoon (see exception)	No open season
Exception: (a) In Currituck County, and Hatteras, Kennekeet, Atlantic, and Nags Head Townships of Dare County, trapping is permitted Jan. 1 through Jan. 31.	Nov. 15-Jan. 31
(b) In and south of Jones, Duplin, Sampson, Cumberland, Hoke, Scotland, the Dare Mainland, Tyrrell, Washington, Beaufort, Craven, and Lenoir counties trapping is permitted Dec. 1 through Feb. 15.	
(c) In Ashe, Alleghany, and Watauga counties trapping is permitted Nov. 1 through Feb. 28.	
(d) Raccoons and otter may not be trapped west of U. S. Highway #1.	
(e) Where county laws govern trapping, the local law shall prevail.	
(f) It shall be unlawful to trap within 500 yards of the high water level during a flood period.	

Licenses: State resident, \$3.25; county, \$2.25. Nonresident, \$25.25.

NORTH DAKOTA

Badger, skunk, raccoon.....	Open until closed by proclamation.
Beaver (see note).....	Nov. 1-Apr. 30
Mink, weasel.....	Nov. 15-Jan. 15
Muskrat.....	Dec. 1-Dec. 31

Note - All beavers must be tagged with the proper metal seal as provided by the 1943 Revised Code, such seals to be purchased from and affixed by bonded Game and Fish Personnel. Trappers of beavers will be required to report legal description of land from which beavers were taken and date when taken at time seals are purchased.

Possession and sale. Skins legally taken may be possessed and sold at any time.

Shipment and export. No restrictions on skins legally taken, except on those of beavers, on which the licensee must report the number taken and procure a tag (fee 25¢) for each pelt. Tagged beavers or pelts may be possessed, bought, sold, or transported at any time under regulations.

Licenses: Resident hunting license, \$1.50; resident trapping license, \$1; nonresident hunting license, \$25; nonresident trapping license, \$100 only to residents of States allowing North Dakota trappers to trap within their States. Fur dealer: resident, \$5 for each place of business in the State; resident traveling fur buyer, \$15; nonresident fur buyer, \$100.

OHIO

	<u>Open Season</u>
Fox (red and gray).....	No closed season
Mink and muskrat: Inland Trapping District.....	Nov. 10-Jan. 31
Lake Erie Trapping District.....	Nov. 10-Mar. 15
Opossum, raccoon, skunk.....	Nov. 10-Jan. 31
<u>Note</u> - Lake Erie Trapping District: Lucas, Ottawa, Sandusky, Erie, Huron, Lorain, Cuyahoga, Lake, Geauga, and Ashtabula counties.	

Possession, sale, shipment and export. Skins legally taken may be possessed, sold, shipped, and transported at any time. Packages must be marked to show contents, initial point of billing, and names and addresses of consignor and consignee.

Licenses: Resident, \$2.25; nonresident, \$15.25. Fur dealer: resident, no charge; nonresident and agents, \$50. Fur dealer or buyer is required to submit a report within 30 days after close of season on all skins bought which were taken within the State and shipped out of the State or sold within the State. Resident landowner or tenant of at least one year may hunt or trap thereon without a license.

OKLAHOMA

Beaver, marten, otter:.....	No open season
Other fur animals.....	Dec. 1-Jan. 31

Possession and sale. It is illegal to possess or sell pelts except during the open season and 25 days thereafter.

Shipment and export. No restrictions on skins legally taken, except that shipment must be made during the open season or within 10 days thereafter.

Licenses: Resident: hunting, \$2.00; amateur trapping (20 traps), \$1.25; professional trapping (over 20 traps), \$50. Nonresident: hunting, \$15.00 (minimum fee, otherwise reciprocal with nonresident hunting fee of hunter's home state); trapping, \$250. Fur dealer: resident, \$15; nonresident, \$50. Licensed trappers are required to report their catch. Licensed fur dealers are required to report season's purchases.

OREGON

Badger, civet cat, skunk, weasel, raccoon.....	No closed season
Fisher, ring-tailed cat.....	No open season
Mink, otter, beaver.....	Nov. 15-Jan. 15
Muskrat and marten.....	Nov. 15-Feb. 15

Possession, sale, shipment, and export. Fur animals legally taken within or out of the State may be possessed and sold at any time, but the burden of proving legal taking is on the trapper. Skins legally taken may be shipped at any time.

Licenses: Resident, hunting \$3; trapping license for mink, muskrat, raccoon and otter, \$6. Beaver tags, \$1 each. Fur dealer, \$10. Fur dealer is required to submit a report not later than January 10 on all pelts acquired. Hunting license is required for trapping of predatory animals. Nonresident: hunting, \$25; no nonresident trapping license.

PENNSYLVANIA

	<u>Open Season</u> Feb. 16-March 7
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Beaver (traps only).....

Note - Nonresidents may not trap beavers. One person may set, tend or operate 10 traps only. Traps must not be set on the structure of any beaver dam or house, or within 25 feet of the waterline on the structure of either thereof. Tags must be kept above ice or waterline to facilitate identification without disturbing traps. Pelts must be tagged within 10 days after season, and may not be sold or otherwise disposed of until properly tagged. Present them to Protector in District or County where trapped.

Mink.....

Nov. 5-Dec. 15

Muskrat.....

Nov. 29-Jan. 15

Raccoon (see note).....

Oct. 15-Feb. 1

Note - Traps shall not be placed, staked, or set before 7 a.m. on the first day of the open season for furbearers and raccoons. Trapping closes at 12 o'clock noon on last day. Traps must be tagged with metal name tags.

Skunk, opossum.....

Unprotected to Sept. 1, 1953

Otter.....

No open season

Possession, sale, and shipment. It is unlawful to have in possession the green pelt of a raccoon or of any fur animals except during the open season therefor and for 10 days thereafter. Cured skins of raccoons legally taken may be shipped at any time. Packages containing furs must be marked to show contents, and name and address of owner. Raw furs shipped out of the State must be tagged (fee 25¢).

Licenses: Resident: hunting and trapping, \$3.15. Nonresident: hunting only, \$20; trapping only (except beavers), \$25. Fur dealer: resident, \$10; nonresident, \$100.

RHODE ISLAND

Mink, muskrat, otter (see exception).....

Dec. 1-Feb. 15

Exception - Providence, Kent, and Washington counties

Nov. 15-Feb. 1

Raccoon (see exception).....

Nov. 15-Feb. 1

Exception - Bristol and Newport counties.....

Dec. 1-Feb. 1

Note - Any person or persons who shall remove or attempt to remove a muskrat, raccoon, mink, otter, or skunk from any hole in the ground, from any stone wall, from within any ledge or from under any stone, from any den or house or from any hole in any log or tree by digging, smoking, or otherwise; and whoever shall set a trap within 8 feet from the outside diameter of a muskrat house shall be punished.

Possession and sale. The possession of a green pelt or any part thereof by any person, except during the open season for such animal and for 10 days thereafter, shall be prima facie evidence that such pelt or part thereof was unlawfully taken and possessed.

Licenses: Resident, \$2; resident under 15 years of age, no fee shall be charged. Nonresident, \$15.

SOUTH CAROLINA

Fur-bearing animals may be trapped from Thanksgiving Day (Nov. 27, 1952) to March 1, 1953, inclusive. Trapping license \$10 secured from County Game Wardens in Zone One. Zone One includes Pickens, Oconee, and Greenville counties.

It is illegal to use steel traps in any parts of the State other than Zone One.

SOUTH DAKOTA

Mink may be hunted, taken, trapped, or killed in the counties of Harding, Perkins, Corson, Dewey, Armstrong, Ziebach, Meade, Butte, Lawrence, Pennington, Haakon, Jackson, Jones, Lyman, Buffalo, Brule, Gregory, Tripp, Todd, Mellette, Washabaugh, Bennett, Shannon, Fall River and Custer during the period from noon Nov. 1, 1952 to noon Feb. 28, 1953.

Mink may be hunted, taken, trapped, or killed in the counties of Campbell, McPherson, Walworth, Edmunds, Brown, Marshall, Day, Roberts, Grant, Deuel, Hamlin, Codington, Clark, Spink, Faulk, Potter, Hyde, Hand, Beadle, Kingsbury, Brookings, Moody, Lake, Miner, Sanborn, Jerauld, Aurora, Davison, Hanson, McCook, Minnehaha, Lincoln, Turner, Hutchinson, Douglas, Charles Mix, Bon Homme, Yankton, Clay and Union during the period from noon Nov. 15, 1952 to noon Feb. 28, 1953.

Opossum may be hunted, taken, trapped, or killed in the counties of Bon Homme, Yankton, Clay and Union during the period from noon Nov. 1, 1952 to noon March 31, 1953.

Muskrat may be hunted, taken, trapped, or killed in the counties of Butte, Harding, Perkins, Corson, Pennington, Haakon, Jackson, Jones, Lyman, Gregory, Tripp, Todd, Mellette, Washabaugh, Bennett, Shannon, Fall River and Custer during the period from noon Nov. 1, 1952 to noon Feb. 28, 1953.

Muskrat may be hunted, taken, trapped, or killed in the counties of Buffalo, Brule, Aurora, Davison, Charles Mix, Douglas, Hutchinson, Bon Homme, Yankton, Turner, Lincoln, Minnehaha, Lake, Miner, Kingsbury, Beadle, Spink, Faulk, Potter, Walworth, Edmunds, Brown, McPherson and Campbell during the period from noon Nov. 15, 1952 to noon Feb. 15, 1953.

Muskrat may be hunted, taken, trapped, or killed in the counties of Marshall, Day, Roberts, Clay and Union during the period from noon Nov. 15, 1952 to noon Jan. 15, 1953.

Muskrat may be hunted, taken, trapped, or killed in the counties of Hyde, Hand, Codington, Grant, Hamlin, Deuel, Brookings and Moody during the period from noon Nov. 15, 1952 to noon Nov. 30, 1952.

Beaver may be hunted, taken, trapped, or killed in the counties of Perkins, Corson, Campbell, Walworth, Potter, Faulk, Spink, Grant, Deuel, Hamlin, Haakon, Jackson, Jones, Lyman, Washabaugh, Mellette, Bennett, Todd, Tripp, Gregory, Buffalo, Brule, Charles Mix, Douglas, Hutchinson, Bon Homme, Yankton, Turner, Clay, Union, Lincoln, Minnehaha, Lake and Miner during the period from noon Nov. 15, 1952 to noon March 31, 1953.

TENNESSEE

	<u>Hunting</u>	<u>Open Season</u>
Opossum, raccoon (see note).....		Oct. 15-Jan. 25
Note - Bag limit for raccoon, 1 per person or 5 per party per day, at least 5 persons being a party.		
Red fox, East of State Route 56.....		No open season
Red fox, West of State Route 56.....		Oct. 15-Jan. 25

	<u>Trapping</u>	
Opossum, raccoon, mink, muskrat, red fox West of State Route 56.....		Nov. 27-Jan. 25
Otter and beaver.....		No open season
Gray fox, weasel, skunk, civet cat, bobcat.....		No closed season

Possession and sale. It shall be lawful to sell or to offer for sale the carcasses of raccoons and opossums.

TEXAS

Badger, civet cat, ringtail cat, otter, skunk (exception)	Dec. 1-Jan. 31
Exception - Cherokee County, steel traps permitted..	Dec. 1-Feb. 15
Shelby County, if traps or deadfall used	No open season
Beaver (exception).....	Dec. 1-Jan. 31
Exception - Brewster, Culberson, El Paso, Hudspeth, Jeff Davis, Kimble, Maverick, Pecos, Presidio, Reeves, Terrell, and Val Verde counties.....	Jan. 1-Jan. 15
Shelby, if traps and deadfall used.....	No open season
Anderson, Henderson, Red River counties.....	No open season
Bobcat, coyote, mountain and Mexican lion, weasel, wildcat, wolf.....	No closed season
Mink, raccoon (exception).....	Dec. 1-Jan. 31
Exception - Cherokee County.....	Dec. 1-Feb. 15
- Shelby.....	No open season
Muskrat (exception and note).....	Nov. 15-Mar. 15
Exception - Armstrong, Briscoe, Carson, Castro, Childress, Collingsworth, Cottle, Dallam, Deaf Smith, Donley, Gray, Hall, Hansford, Hartley, Hemphill, Hutchinson, Lipscomb, Moore, Motley, Ochiltree, Oldham, Parmer, Potter, Randall, Roberts, Sherman, Swisher and Wheeler counties....	Dec. 1-Feb. 28
Brewster, Culberson, El Paso, Hudspeth, Jeff Davis, Pecos, Presidio, Reeves, and Terrell counties.....	Dec. 1-Jan. 31
Erath, Hood, Jack Palo Pinto, Stephens and Young counties.....	Dec. 1-Jan. 31
Cherokee County.....	Dec. 1-Feb. 15
Shelby.....	No open season
Note - Muskrats may be taken by persons on own premises at any time by any means.	
Opossum (exception).....	Dec. 1-Jan. 31
Exception - Cherokee County.....	Dec. 1-Jan. 15
- Sabine and San Augustine counties.....	No closed season
- Shelby.....	No open season

Note - Communicate with the Game and Fish Commission, Austin, Texas, for information on counties having additional local seasons, on bag limits, and on means and methods of catching.

Texas (continued)

Possession and sale. With certain exceptions, pelts taken during the open season may be possessed and sold at any time, but the possession of undried pelts later than 15 days after the close of the season is prima facie evidence of illegal taking. A trapper is allowed 15 days immediately following the open season for drying pelts taken during such season. It is illegal to purchase on the land of another, muskrats taken on such land except from the owner or his agent. No restrictions on possession of skins for personal use if legally taken.

Shipment and export. No restrictions on skins legally taken.

Licenses: Resident, \$1; nonresident, \$200. Fur buyer: wholesale, \$25; retail, \$5. Fur dealers must submit a sworn report not later than the 10th of each month showing number and kinds of pelts purchased and shipped out of the State the preceding month. A resident license costing \$50 is required of persons to trap beavers and otters outside the county of their residence.

UTAH

	<u>Open Season</u>
Beaver (note), otter.....	No open season
<u>Note</u> - Beavers damaging farms or other property may be trapped under authorization of the State Fish and Game Commission.	
Marten, mink, muskrats (exception), raccoon.....	Oct. 15-Dec. 15
<u>Exception</u> - Muskrats doing actual damage to property may be destroyed or trapped at any season without license by owner or tenant.	
Predatory animals.....	No closed season

Note - The Commission may close all or part of seasons when it is deemed advisable. Consult Commission for other open seasons.

Possession and sale. Skins of fur animals legally taken may be possessed and sold at any time, but green pelts may be possessed only during the open season and 15 days thereafter. Skins of beavers taken under authorization of the State Fish and Game Commission must be turned over to the Commission for sale. Possession of untagged beaver and otter skins is prohibited.

Shipment and export. Furs legally taken and possessed may be shipped and exported at any time, but shipment and export of untagged beaver skins are prohibited.

Licenses: Resident, \$5. Nonresident is not permitted to trap.

No person shall hunt or trap for fur-bearing animals without having first obtained a state trapper's license from the director. For the purpose of this title the following shall be considered fur-bearing animals: otter, mink, marten, raccoon, muskrat and beaver.

VERMONT

Open Season

Beaver (see note) Director may declare open season during any part of the months of January, February and March.

Note - Skins must be exhibited to warden and tagged within 10 days after open season. Tagging fee \$2 per skin. Taking beaver restricted to residents only.

Fox (see note).....	Oct. 25-Feb. 14
<u>Note</u> - Franklin County: Trapping prohibited except in Town of Swanton where fox may be taken any time.	
Mink, otter, skunk.....	Oct. 25-Feb. 14
Muskrat (see exception).....	Oct. 25-Apr. 19
<u>Exception</u> - Lamoille County.....	Oct. 25-Feb. 14
Orleans County.....	Oct. 25-Nov. 30
Addison and Rutland Counties.....	Jan. 1-Apr. 19
Raccoon (Limit per person - not more than 15).....	Oct. 25-Dec. 30

Note - A person who traps for fur-bearing or noxious animals other than bear, within twelve hours shall notify the owner of enclosed lands on which he has set traps, the number and location of such traps, and shall visit his traps at least once in every twenty-four hours. A person shall not set a metal trap on lands other than his own which does not have his name and address permanently and legibly stamped or engraved thereon, or on a tag of rustless material securely attached thereto.

Possession and sale. Possession of fur animals during the closed season is prohibited, but furs or skins of animals legally taken may be possessed, bought, or sold at any time. Beaver skins must be tagged and marked within ten days of the closed season.

Shipment and export - Shipments must be tagged to show number and kinds of animals or skins, consignor and consignee, station from which shipped, and destination. No other restrictions on shipment of skins legally taken.

Licenses: Trapping - resident, \$1.75; nonresident, \$50. Fur buyer - resident, \$2; nonresident, \$50. Fur buyers are required to keep records of purchase and sales and file report on same at the end of license year.

VIRGINIA

Beaver, by permit only.....	February
Mink.....	Dec. 15-Jan. 31
Muskrat.....	Jan. 1-March 15
Opossum.....	Dec. 1-Jan. 31
Otter.....	Dec. 15-Feb. 28
Raccoon - The following counties: Amelia, Appomattox, Brunswick, Buckingham, Charles City, Cumberland, Dinwiddie, Greensville, Isle of Wight, James City, Lunenburg, Mecklenburg, Nottoway, Powhatan, Prince Edward, Prince George, Southampton, Surry, Sussex.	Dec. 15-Jan. 31

Note - It is unlawful to trap with steel traps except when done on land by its owner, members of his or her household, tenants, or those having

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permission to do so from the landowner or his or her agent.

Possession, sale, shipment, and export. No restrictions on skins legally taken and possessed.

Licenses: Resident - State \$7.50; county \$3. Nonresident, \$50.

WASHINGTON

		<u>Open Season</u>
Beaver, fisher.....		No open season
Marten (see note).....	8:00 a.m.,	Dec. 1-Jan. 31
Mink.....	" "	Nov. 15-Dec. 31
Muskrat (see note), otter, Canada lynx.....	" "	Nov. 15-Jan. 31
<u>Note</u> - It is unlawful to trap muskrat in muskrat mounds or houses.		

It is unlawful for any person to shoot fur-bearing animals with any firearms whatsoever. Raccoon classified as a predatory animal in the State of Washington.

Note - The taking of marten during special seasons is open to all licensed trappers, who must strictly abide by the following requirements:

It is unlawful for any trapper to use more than 36 traps in the trapping of marten.

Within 13 days after the close of the lawful open season on marten, each trapper must present his skins for tagging and inspection to the local game protector in the area in which he traps; and at that time the game protector must tag each skin. It is unlawful to sell any marten skins not so tagged, and on and after February 14, 1953, it shall be unlawful for any person to possess any marten skins not so tagged.

Possession, sale, shipment, export, and licenses - Correspond with the Washington State Game Department, 509 Fairview Avenue North, Seattle 9, Washington.

WEST VIRGINIA

Beaver (see note).....	Feb. 19-Mar. 14
<u>Note</u> - Trapping restricted to residents only. Beavers causing damage to crops may be trapped under permit.	
Fox (gray).....	No closed season
Fox (red) (see exception).....	No closed season
<u>Exception</u> - Trapping and shooting unlawful in Clay, Dodderidge, and Wayne counties. May be trapped or shot in Lewis, Lincoln, Pleasants, Tyler, and Wetzel counties.....	
Mink, Muskrat (trapping) - split season -	Nov. 3-Jan. 10
Raccoon (trapping).....	Nov. 3-Jan. 10; Feb. 19-Mar. 4
Raccoon (hunting with dog or gun).....	Nov. 3-Jan. 10
Skunk, opossum (hunting and trapping).....	6 p.m. Nov. 3-6 a.m. Jan. 10
	Nov. 3-Jan. 10

Note - All trapping seasons ~~(except fox)~~ open and close at 12:00 Noon, on above dates. Hunting or shooting beaver, mink, or muskrat is illegal.

West Virginia (continued)

Possession and sale. Possession of fresh skins, except beaver, permitted during the open season and for 10 days after close of season only. (Beaver pelts must be sealed within 30 days after close of the season.) No restrictions on sale of skins legally taken and possessed.

Shipment and export. No restrictions on skins legally taken and possessed; no restrictions on possession of beaver pelts properly sealed.

Licenses: Resident, \$2; nonresident, \$25. Trapping license for beaver, resident state-wide, \$2. Fur dealer: resident, state-wide, \$10; county, \$1; agent, \$2.50; nonresident, \$50. Fur dealer must submit an annual report of all transactions.

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		Open Season
Raccoon: Northern Zone.....	1 p.m.	Oct. 4-Dec. 20
Southern Zone.....	" "	Nov. 1-Dec. 20
Fox, wolf, wildcat, lynx, skunk, weasel, opossum.....		All year
Badger.....	" "	Oct. 4-Dec. 20
Bear (Northern Zone) (for guns, Nov. 22-Nov. 28).....		All year
Mink (see note), muskrat.....		Oct. 28-Nov. 21
Note - Additional 30 days on mink, dry sets only, (local variations in certain counties).		
Beaver, otter (local variations in certain counties)..<		Feb. 20-Apr. 20

Licenses: Resident trapping, \$1.50; trap tags, 10¢; beaver tags, \$1; raccoon tags, 25¢; beaver trapping, \$2.50. License law does not provide for nonresident or settlers trapping license. Fur dealers licensed and regulated.

WYOMING

Badger, bobcat, civet cat, coyote, mountain lion, lynx, raccoon, skunk, weasel, wolf (classed as predators).....	No closed season
Beaver (see note).....	No open season
Note - Beavers may be taken only by landowners or lessees of State-owned lands under permit of the State Game Warden, and pelts so taken must be tagged with "beaver tag" (50¢) and "protected animal tag" (50¢) each P.A. & B. tag.	
Mink (see note).....	Nov. 10-Jan. 31
Note - In all areas within the State not included within National Forest boundaries, and not including Laramia, Goshan, and Niobrara counties.	

Exception - Open season on all fur animals (except otter) from Nov. 10 through Dec. 31 within all National Forest areas situated within Teton, Lincoln, Sublette, Fremont and Park counties, except that portion of the Targhee National Forest situated within Teton County, which shall be closed to the trapping of fur-bearing animals.

Possession, sale, shipment and export. No restrictions on skins legally taken except that nonresident buyers are required to have a license for purchase or collection of any fur including beaver. No exportation permit required.

Licenses: Resident, \$3; nonresident, \$25. Fur dealer: resident, \$10; nonresident, \$100. Predator license on National Forest Lands only, \$1.

CANADA

ALBERTA

Open Season

Badger (see exception).....	No closed season
<u>Exception</u> - Any person may at any time, without any license or permit, hunt, take or kill any badger except in that part of the Province comprising the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9.	
Beaver (see note).....	March 1-May 15
<u>Note</u> - By Special Permit on registered trap-lines only.	
Fisher.....	No open season
Fox.....	Nov. 1-Jan. 17
Lynx.....	Dec. 1-Feb. 28
Marten (see note).....	Dec. 1-Jan. 17
<u>Note</u> - Only on registered trap-lines, provided that marten must not be taken on trap-lines lying east of the Fifth Meridian.	
Mink.....	Nov. 1-Feb. 28
Muskrat (see note):	
On registered trap-lines only.....	Nov. 15-May 15
On privately owned or occupied lands only.....	Mar. 1-May 15
<u>Note</u> - Special Permits may be issued to owners of private lands, authorizing such owners to hunt or trap muskrats on such lands owned by the licensee, but not elsewhere, and where it is shown by a report from a constable or a game officer that the muskrats are causing damage to irrigation projects and works connected therewith, stock watering dams or to public property or public works, such as road grades or culverts.	
Otter.....	Nov. 1-Mar. 31
Red squirrel.....	Nov. 15-Feb. 28

Possession and sale. No person, either by himself or his clerk, servant or agent, shall buy, sell, deal, barter, solicit or traffic in the skin, pelt, or part thereof, of any fur-bearing animal, or conduct any sale of such skin, pelt, or part thereof, either by tender or by auction; or being a furrier shall acquire any skin, pelt, or part thereof, of any fur-bearing animal for the purpose of manufacture; or being a tanner shall receive any skin, pelt, or part thereof, of any fur-bearing animal for processing in any manner whatsoever, without having first obtained a license under this Act authorizing him so to do.

Shipment and export. No agent of any express company or other common carrier shall receive for transportation beyond the boundaries of the Province any big game, game birds, or skins or pelts of fur-bearing animals, or parts thereof, unless the transportation thereof is authorized by an export permit issued under authority of the Department of Lands and Mines, "The Game Act, 1946."

Licenses: Resident trapper's license, \$3; Indian trapper's license, free; Metis trapper's license, free; registered trap-line or trapping area, \$10; permit for forest and game preserve resident to keep traps, free.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

	<u>Open Season</u>
<u>Eastern District</u> (see note)	
Beaver, muskrat:	
North of the 51st parallel of north latitude and in the Yale and Kamloops Electoral Districts.....	Mar. 1-May 24
Otter (except sea otter) (see exception).....	Mar. 1-Apr. 30
Exception - North main line CPR.....	Nov. 1-May 24
All other fur animals (except badger).....	Nov. 1-Feb. 28
<u>Western District</u> (see note)	
All fur animals (except sea otter and badger) (see additional exception):	
North of 51st parallel of north latitude.....	Nov. 1-Feb. 28
South of 51st parallel of north latitude.....	Dec. 1-Feb. 28
Exception - Beaver, muskrat, and otter (except sea otter) in that part of the Lillooet Electoral District lying east of a line running north and south of the Alta Lake Railway Station on the Pacific Great Eastern Railway and including the Watershed of the Upper Lillooet River.....	Dec. 1-Apr. 30
Beaver on Queen Charlotte Island.....	No open season
Sea otter.....	No open season

Note - The Western District comprises that part of the Province that lies west of the summit of the Cascade Mountains and south of the Atlin Electoral District, except that part of the Skeena Electoral District that is in the watershed of Lakelse and Zymagotitz Rivers.

The Eastern District comprises the rest of the Province.

Possession and sale. It is illegal to sell pelts of fur animals taken in the closed season or to possess unprime pelts. Possession of pelts legally taken is permitted during the open season and 14 days thereafter (1 month north of the 52nd parallel). Special permit is required for possession at other times. All beaver pelts must be tagged and no beaver can be trapped even though open season is proved unless permit to do so is first obtained from Game Commission or its authorized agent.

British Columbia (continued)

Shipment and export. Shipment and export are allowed under permit, and royalties must be paid in full on all furs exported or shipped to tanner within the Province. Packages must be prepared so they can be easily opened for inspection or labeled with full description of contents and the names and addresses of consignor and consignee, and must be accompanied by an export permit. Importation of live animals is prohibited except under permit.

MANITOBA

	<u>Open Season</u>
Badger, fox (see note).....	Nov. 1-Jan. 31
<u>Note</u> - Blue, white or Arctic fox, north of 53rd parallel.....	Nov. 1-Mar. 31
Any fox (other than blue, white or Arctic) north of 53rd parallel.....	Oct. 20-Dec. 31
Beaver, fisher, marten, lynx, raccoon (under Special Permit)	
Mink - North of 53rd parallel.....	Nov. 1-Mar. 15
South of 53rd parallel.....	Nov. 1-Feb. 28
Muskrat - North of 56th parallel.....	May 1-June 5
Between 54th and 56th parallels.....	Apr. 10-May 20
Between 53rd and 54th parallels.....	Apr. 1-May 11
South of 53rd parallel.....	Mar. 23-Apr. 24
Otter - North of 53rd parallel (closed south of 53rd parallel).....	Nov. 1-April 30
Weasel, squirrel.....	Nov. 1-Feb. 28

Shipment and export. Export of the skins of all fur animals is prohibited unless shipment is accompanied by a permit and has attached a declaration of the number and kinds of skins contained. No other restrictions on skins legally taken.

Licenses: Resident trapper, \$2. Fur dealer: Restricted, \$10; general, \$25; auction, \$100; traveling, \$25.

NEW BRUNSWICK

	<u>Open Season</u>
Beaver.....	No open season
<u>Note</u> - No person shall set a trap or snare closer than 100 feet to any beaver dam, house or pond.	
Fisher, marten.....	No open season
Fox, raccoon.....	All year
Mink, otter.....	Nov. 1-Dec. 31
Muskrat.....	Apr. 1-May 25
Rabbit by trap or snare.....	Oct. 1-Feb. 28
Rabbit by hunting.....	Oct. 1-Nov. 30

Possession and sale. A bona fide resident of the Province does not require a license to sell raw furs legally killed or taken by himself provided that such raw furs are sold to the holder of a nonresident or resident fur dealer's license. All hunters of game must report to the Chief Game Warden immediately after the close of the open season stating the number of game animals killed. Penalty for not reporting, \$10 to \$50. The license or unused tags need not be returned.

Shipment and export. Raw furs must be stamped by an officer of the Department, royalty paid, and shipping permit secured before the same are allowed to be exported out of the Province (exception: ranch raised mink, cross, patch, and silver black foxes). All game meat, hides, and heads must be tagged for transportation. The Federal government controls the export of game by nonresident hunters and arrangements must be made with the Dominion Customs Officers at ports of exit. See instructions on license.

Licenses: Trapping: nonresident, \$100; residents do not require a license to trap. Fur dealers: nonresident, \$100; resident, \$25.

NEWFOUNDLAND

	<u>Open Season</u>
Beaver, marten.....	No open season
Fox, lynx, mink.....	Nov. 15-Mar. 1
Muskrat:	
Within Northern Peninsula.....	Nov. 15-May 30
Outside Northern Peninsula.....	Nov. 15-May 15
Otter.....	Nov. 15-Mar. 31
Weasel.....	No closed season

Note - The Minister may from time to time, as he sees fit, by order, prescribe an open season in respect of any or of all the fur-bearing animals for which no open season is prescribed in paragraph (1) of this regulation, and any such order may be made so as to apply to the whole of Newfoundland or to such part or parts thereof as may be specified in such order.

Licenses: Resident (except beaver and fur-bearing animals in respect of which there is no open season), \$1; nonresident, \$200. Trapper's beaver license, resident only, \$2. Fur exporter's license: resident, \$25; nonresident, \$100.

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

	<u>Open Season</u>
Bear: barren-ground and grizzly.....	No open season
black.....	Aug. 1-Jan. 31
polar.....	Oct. 1-May 31
Beaver:	
(a) In Zone 1 as described in Schedule H.....	Nov. 16-Apr. 14
(b) In Zone 2 as described in Schedule H.....	Nov. 16-Apr. 21
(c) In Zones 3 and 4 as described in Schedule H, excepting throughout the Mackenzie Delta Beaver Sanctuary.....	Nov. 16-Apr. 30
Fisher.....	Nov. 1-Mar. 31
Fox (including Arctic and coloured):	
(a) North of the timber line.....	Nov. 16-Mar. 31
(b) South of the timber line.....	Nov. 1-last day of Feb.
Lynx.....	Nov. 1-Feb. 15
Marten.....	Nov. 1-last day of Feb. in areas described in Schedule "G."
Mink: (a) In Zone 1 as described in Schedule H.....	Nov. 16-Jan. 15
(b) Elsewhere in the Territories.....	Nov. 16-last day of Feb.
Muskrat:	
(a) In Keewatin and Franklin Districts and in Zone 1, Mackenzie District as described in Schedule H.....	Mar. 1-May 20
(b) In Zone 2, Mackenzie District as described in Schedule H.....	Mar. 1-May 31
(c) In Zone 3, Mackenzie District as described in Schedule H.....	Mar. 1-June 15
(d) In Zone 4, Mackenzie District as described in Schedule H.....	Mar. 1-June 20
(e) In that part of the Delta of the Mackenzie River north of Point Separation.....	Nov. 2-Dec. 15
(f) In that part of the Mackenzie District not included in sub-paragraph (e).....	Nov. 16-Dec. 15
Otter: (a) North of the Arctic Circle.....	No open season
(b) South of the Arctic Circle.....	Nov. 1-Feb. 28
Skunks, squirrels, weasels, rabbits, and any other game animal not specifically mentioned in this Schedule..	Open season throughout the year
Wolves, wolverines and coyotes.....	Open season throughout the year except that no person shall set traps or other contrivances from April 1 to Oct. 31.

Note - Consult - Director, Northern Administration and Lands Branch, Department of Resources and Development, Ottawa, Ontario, for Schedules "G" and "H" referred to above.

Licenses: General hunting licenses issued only to Indians and Eskimos who have resided continuously in the Territories since birth and to Canadian citizens who held general hunting licenses prior to May 3, 1938.

NOVA SCOTIA

	<u>Open Season</u>
Bear, wildcat, fox, raccoon.....	No closed season
Fisher, marten.....	No open season
Beaver: Special season in the counties of Halifax, Hants, Cumberland, Colchester, Pictou, Antigonish and Guysboro.....	Nov. 16-Nov. 30

License: Cost of license, \$2.00; Royalty payable to the Province, \$2.00 per pelt; each trapper is allowed to trap 3 beaver. Licenses sold only to householders resident in the county, one to a household. The applicant can only purchase a license for trapping in the county in which he resides.

Mink, muskrat, otter, weasel (see note).....	Nov. 1-Dec. 15
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Note - "No person shall set any trap or snare within twenty-five feet of any muskrat house, beaver house or beaver dam, or destroy or damage any muskrat house, beaver house or beaver dam.

"No person shall kill or take any fur-bearing animals by means of strychnine or other poison or deposit or set out poison in any place frequented by fur-bearing animals.

"No person shall kill or take any muskrat by means of any shotgun, rifle or other fire-arm or by the use of any wire or other cage trap or any trap or device designed to take more than one animal at a time.

"No person shall keep fur-bearing animals whether bred in captivity or not, for the purpose of preserving and breeding from such animals, without first obtaining a permit from the Minister."

Possession and sale. It is illegal to possess or sell the green hides of beaver, marten or fisher or to possess, buy or sell the green hides of any fur-bearing animals taken out of season or pelts on which royalty has not been paid. Royalty is required to be paid on every hide or pelt of game or fur-bearing animal killed or taken in the Province as follows:

weasel.....	\$.05	mink.....	\$.60
otter.....	1.00	lynx.....	.50
muskrat.....	.10	deer.....	.10

Licenses: A resident fur buyer's license permitting the licensee to purchase all pelts legally taken, \$25.00; resident deer hide buyer's license, permitting the licensee to buy only deer hides, \$1.00; non-resident fur buyer's license, \$100.00.

Reports: All fur buyers are required under the regulations to make a monthly report to the Department showing the total number of hides or pelts purchased by them during the preceding month. This report must show where export has been made, the number of the export tag. Dealers are also required to furnish a yearly report.

ONTARIO

Open Season

Beaver, fisher, lynx, marten, mink, muskrat,
otter, raccoon - Seasons to be fixed by regulation of
the Department of Lands and Forests, Toronto.

Fox, skunk, weasel, wolverine.....	No closed season
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Possession and sale. Possession of furs during the closed season and the sale of unprime pelts are prohibited, except under permit. It is illegal to have skins dressed, plucked, or treated except under permit obtained on payment of royalties.

Shipment and export. Export of furs is prohibited except under permit obtained on payment of royalties. Shipments must be made by express or parcel post, and packages must be marked to show names and addresses of consignor and consignee, and contents. Shipment by airplane is allowed under permit.

Licenses: Trap-line or resident trapping, British subject only, \$5. Not issued to nonresidents. Fur dealer: resident, British subject, Store License, \$25; resident, British subject, traveling buyer, \$100; resident, not British subject, and nonresident traveling fur buyer, \$200; resident, British subject, wholesale license, \$100; nonresident, wholesale buyer from holder of resident wholesale license, \$5; resident, British subject, buying for own use, \$1.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

Fox, weasel.....	No closed season
Mink, muskrat.....	Nov. 10-Dec. 31
Raccoon (see exception).....	No closed season

Exception - Raccoon may not be trapped on streams or other areas frequented by mink and muskrat during the closed season for those animals.

Possession and sale. There are no restrictions in respect to the possession and sale of pelts of fur animals taken legally during the open season.

Trapping License Fees: Resident, nil; nonresident, \$50.00

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Beaver - Write to Department of Fish and Game, Quebec	Nov. 1-Mar. 15
Fisher, raccoon, lynx.....	No closed season
Fox.....	No open season
Marten.....	Nov. 1-Feb. 28
Mink.....	Nov. 1-June 7
Muskrat: North of Latitude 50	Apr. 15-May 14
North zone (a).....	Nov. 1-Nov. 20
(b).....	Mar. 15-Apr. 30
South zone.....	Nov. 15-Feb. 28
Otter.....	Nov. 1-Mar. 31
Skunk, other fur animals.....	

Possession and sale. No restrictions on skins legally taken and on which royalties have been paid.

Shipment and export. Prohibited, except of fur animals or furs on which royalties have been paid. Skins must be shipped open to view. Each skin must be stamped to show that royalty has been paid. Packages must show names and addresses of consignor and consignee, and have attached an export permit. A special permit must be obtained from the Federal Government before shipping a silver fox to the United States.

Licenses: Resident, \$2.10; nonresident, \$202.00.

SASKATCHEWAN

	<u>Open Season</u>
Beaver (Special Permit only):	
In Northern Fur Conservation Areas only.....	Nov. 5-June 1
Outside Northern Fur Conservation Areas.....	Nov. 5-Apr. 30
Fisher.....	Nov. 5-Feb. 28
Fox.....	Nov. 5-Feb. 15
Lynx.....	Nov. 5-Feb. 28
Marten (Special Permit only):	
In Northern Fur Conservation Areas only.....	Nov. 5-Feb. 28
Mink.....	Nov. 5-Feb. 28
Muskrat (Special Permit only):	
In Northern Fur Conservation Areas only.....	Nov. 5-June 1
Outside Northern Fur Conservation Areas.....	Nov. 5-Apr. 30
Otter.....	Nov. 5-Mar. 15
Raccoon, squirrel.....	Nov. 5-Mar. 15
Weasel: Northern Fur Conservation Areas and certain municipalities.....	Nov. 5-Feb. 28
Balance of Province.....	Nov. 5-Dec. 5
Badger, bear, coyote, rabbit, skunk, timber wolf, wolverine (see note).....	No closed season
<u>Note</u> - No license required.	

All dates inclusive.

Licenses: Trapper's license, \$2.00. Parties must be resident of an area for one year before making application for trapping rights. No nonresident trapping licenses are sold.

For further information contact the Department of Natural Resources, Resources Building, Regina, Saskatchewan.

YUKON

	Open Season
Beaver (15 beaver may be taken).....	Mar. 1-May 15
Fisher and otter.....	Nov. 1-May 1
Fox:	
South of the Arctic Circle.....	Nov. 1-Jan. 31
North of the Arctic Circle.....	Nov. 1-Mar. 31
Lynx.....	Nov. 15-Mar. 31
Mink and marten.....	Nov. 15-Mar. 1
Muskrat:	
South of the Arctic Circle.....	Mar. 1-May 31
North of the Arctic Circle.....	Mar. 1-June 15
Squirrel.....	Nov. 1-Mar. 15
Weasel.....	Nov. 1-Mar. 31

With the exception of beaver pelts, no restrictions as to amount of furs to be taken throughout the open season.

Export of raw furs is prohibited except under a permit and payment of royalties.

Aircraft may not be used in trapping operations except as a means of transportation between the settlement where a trapper outfits and his principal base camp.

Only under registration of a trapping area is any trapper allowed to trap fur-bearing animals.

Yukon Territory has now inaugurated trap lines from the border of British Columbia at Parallel 60 and up to Parallel 65. From last mentioned parallel to the Arctic Ocean, registration of trap lines will take place gradually under same rules and regulations as directed by Yukon Territorial Game Department.

Licenses: Resident hunting license, \$2; trapping license, \$10 for registration. Indian hunting license, free. Nonresident trapping license, \$250 plus \$10 registration.

OFFICIALS FROM WHOM COPIES OF FUR LAWS MAY BE OBTAINED

Alabama: Director, Department of Conservation, Montgomery 4.
Alaska: Fish and Wildlife Service, Juneau; or Secretary of the Interior, Washington 25, D. C.
Arizona: Director, Arizona Game and Fish Commission, State Bldg., Phoenix.
Arkansas: Executive Secretary, Game and Fish Commission, State Capitol, Little Rock.
California: Director, Department of Fish and Game, Ferry Bldg., San Francisco 11.
Colorado: Superintendent of Fur Resources, State Game and Fish Commission, 1350 Sherman Street, Denver 5.
Connecticut: Game Technician, State Board of Fisheries and Game, Hartford 1.
Delaware: Chief Game Warden, Board of Game and Fish Commissioners, Dover.
District of Columbia: Superintendent, Metropolitan Police, Washington.
Florida: Director, Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission, Tallahassee.
Georgia: Director, State Game and Fish Commission, 412 State Capitol, Atlanta 3.
Hawaii: Director, Division of Fish and Game, Board of Commissioners of Agriculture and Forestry, P.O. Box 3319, Honolulu 1.
Idaho: Director, Department of Fish and Game, Boise.
Illinois: Director, Department of Conservation, Springfield.
Indiana: Director, Division of Fish and Game, Department of Conservation, 311 West Washington Street, Indianapolis 9.
Iowa: Director, State Conservation Commission, East 7th and Court Streets, Des Moines 8.
Kansas: Director, Forestry, Fish and Game Commission, Pratt.
Kentucky: Director, Department of Conservation, Frankfort.
Louisiana: Director, Division of Furs and Refuges, Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Civil Courts Bldg., New Orleans 16.
Maine: Chief Warden, Department of Inland Fisheries and Game, State House, Augusta.
Maryland: State Game Warden, Board of Natural Resources, Department of Game and Inland Fish, 510-514 Munsey Bldg., Baltimore 2.
Massachusetts: Commissioner, Department of Conservation, 15 Ashburton Place, Boston 8.
Michigan: Game Division, Conservation Commission, Lansing 13.
Minnesota: Commissioner, Department of Conservation, State Office Building, St. Paul 1.
Mississippi: Director, State Game and Fish Commission, 330 East Pearl Street, Jackson 104.
Missouri: Director, State Conservation Commission, Monroe Bldg., Jefferson City.
Montana: State Fish and Game Warden, State Dept. of Fish and Game, Helena.
Nebraska: Project Leader, Pittman-Robertson Project, Game Forestation and Parks Commission, Lincoln 9.
Nevada: Secretary, State Fish and Game Commission, Box 678, Reno.
New Hampshire: Director, Fish and Game Department, State House Annex, Concord.
New Jersey: Division of Fish and Game, Department of Conservation and Economic Development, State House Annex, Trenton 7.
New Mexico: State Game Warden, Department of Game and Fish, Santa Fe.
New York: Director, Division of Fish and Game, Conservation Department, Albany 7.

North Carolina: Commissioner, Division of Game and Inland Fisheries,
Department of Conservation and Development, Raleigh.

North Dakota: Game Warden, State Game and Fish Department, Bismarck.

Ohio: Chief, Division of Wildlife, Department of Natural Resources,
1500 Dublin Road, Columbus.

Oklahoma: Superintendent, Game Division, Game and Fish Department,
State Capitol, Oklahoma City 5.

Oregon: State Game Commission, P.O. Box 4136, Portland 8.

Pennsylvania: Executive Director, Pennsylvania Game Commission, Harrisburg.

Rhode Island: Administrator, Division of Fish and Game, Department of
Agriculture and Conservation, State House, Providence 2.

South Carolina: Director, Division of Game, Wildlife Resources Department,
Columbia.

South Dakota: Director, Department of Game, Fish and Parks, Pierre.

Tennessee: Director, Division of Game and Fish, Department of Conservation,
304 State Office Building, Nashville 3.

Texas: Executive Secretary, Game and Fish Commission, Austin.

Utah: Director, State Fish and Game Commission, 1596 West North Temple,
Salt Lake City 16.

Vermont: Director, Fish and Game Service, Department of Natural Resources,
Montpelier.

Virginia: Executive Director, Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries,
Richmond 13.

Washington: Director, Department of Game, State Game Commission, 509 Fairview
North, Seattle.

West Virginia: Chief, Division of Game Management, Conservation Commission
of West Virginia, Charleston.

Wisconsin: Game Management Division, Conservation Department, Madison 2.

Wyoming: State Game Warden, Wyoming Game and Fish Commission, Cheyenne.

Canada: Chief, Canadian Wildlife Service, Department of Resources and
Development, Ottawa.

Alberta: Fish and Game Commissioner, Department of Lands and Forests,
Edmonton.

British Columbia: Game Commission, 567 Burrard Street, Vancouver 1.

Manitoba: Director of Game and Fisheries, Department of Mines and Natural
Resources, Winnipeg.

New Brunswick: Chief Game Warden, Department of Lands and Mines, Fredericton.

Newfoundland: Chief Game Warden, Department of Mines and Resources,
St. Johns.

Northwest Territories: Director, Northern Administration and Lands Branch,
Department of Resources and Development, Ottawa, Ontario.

Nova Scotia: Director, Department of Lands and Forests, Halifax.

Ontario: Chief, Division of Fish and Wildlife, Department of Lands and
Forests, Parliament Building, Toronto.

Prince Edward Island: Deputy Minister of Industry and Natural Resources,
Charlottetown.

Quebec: Superintendent General, Department of Fish and Game, Quebec.

Saskatchewan: Game Commissioner, Department of Natural Resources, Regina.

Yukon: Director, Yukon Game and Publicity Department, Whitehorse, Yukon.

Mexico: Secretaria de Agricultura y Ganaderia, Direccion General Forestal
y de Caza, Mexico, D.F.

THE FEDERAL LACEY ACT

An act of Congress of May 25, 1900 (31 Stat. 187) known as the Lacey Act, as amended by Public Law 772, 80th Congress on June 25, 1948, 18 U.S.C. sections 43 and 44, provides among other things, that -

§ 43 - Whoever delivers or knowingly receives for shipment, transportation, or carriage in interstate or foreign commerce, any wild animal or bird, or the dead body or part thereof, or the egg of any such bird imported from any foreign country, or captured, killed, taken, purchased, sold, possessed, contrary to any act of Congress, or the law of any State, Territory, Possession, or foreign country, or subdivision thereof; or

Whoever transports, brings, or conveys from any foreign country into the United States any wild animal or bird, or the dead body or part thereof, or the egg of any such bird captured, killed, taken, shipped, transported, or carried contrary to the law of such foreign country or subdivision thereof; or

Whoever knowingly purchases or receives any wild animal or bird, or the dead body or part thereof, or the egg of any such bird imported from any foreign country or shipped, transported, carried, brought, or conveyed in violation of this section; or

Whoever, having purchased or received any wild animal or bird, or the dead body or part thereof, or the egg of any such bird imported from any foreign country or shipped, transported, or carried in interstate commerce, makes any false record or account thereof -

Shall be fined not more than \$500 or imprisoned not more than six months, or both; and the wild animals or birds, or the dead bodies or parts thereof, or the eggs of such birds, shall be forfeited.

§ 44 - Whoever ships, transports, carries, brings, or conveys in interstate or foreign commerce any package containing wild animals or birds, or the dead bodies or parts thereof, without plainly marking, labeling, or tagging such package with the names and addresses of the shipper and consignee and with an accurate statement showing the contents by number and kind; or

Whoever ships, transports, carries, brings, or conveys in interstate commerce any package containing furs, hides, or skins of wild animals without plainly marking, labeling, or tagging such package with the names and addresses of the shipper and consignee -

Shall be fined not more than \$500 or imprisoned not more than six months, or both; and the shipment forfeited.

§ 3054 - Any employee authorized by the Secretary of the Interior to enforce sections 43 and 44 of this title, and any officer of the customs, may arrest any person violating said sections in his presence or view, and may execute any warrant or other process issued by an officer or court of competent jurisdiction to enforce the provisions of said sections.

§ 3112 - Any employee authorized by the Secretary of the Interior to enforce sections 43 and 44 of this title, and any officer of the customs, shall have authority to execute any warrant to search for and seize any property used or possessed in violation of said sections and property so seized shall be held by him or by the United States marshal pending disposition thereof by the court.



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